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Seven Hundred and Ninety, to the Collectors of the feveral Parishes herein after appointed, and in case of resusal or delay, that the said Collectors be, and they are hereby declared to be severally authorised and empowered to levy the same by distress and sale of the Resusers or Delayers Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements, retaining to themselves from the Proceeds of every Sale the usual and accustomed Poundage, or a Sum equal to the amount of the Duties levied for, at their option, as a Compensation for the Trouble incurred in consequence of such Levy and Sale.

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AND for the more effectual collecting the faid Duty, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that each and every Person holding Rum and any other spirituous distilled Liquors on the said first Day of August next, exceeding five Gallons, shall, within forty-eight Hours thereafter give, and upon oath, if required, to the Collector for the Parish where such Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors shall be, a just and true Account of all such Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors as such Person shall then have been in possession of from and after the said first Day of August next, and that each and every Person or Persons who shall, from Time to Time, after the faid first Day of August next, during the continuance of this Act, be possessed of any Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors, by Importation, shall, in like manner, render unto the Collector for the Parish where such Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors shall be landed or received, a just and true Account of the Number of Gallons, and of the Denomination of each Veffel containing the fame. const. The electore your Might's

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that if any Collector shall suspect, or be informed, that Rum or any other spirituous distribled Liquor is in any particular House or Place, which hath not been reported as by this Act is directed, he shall have power to take to his affistance such Persons as may be necessary to the occasion, and require such House or Place to be opened; and in case of resusal, to open, or cause the same to be opened; and in case of resusal, to open, or cause the same to be opened by force, provided it be in the Day; and that all unreported Rum, or other spirituous distribled Liquor which shall be sound by any Collector, be forseited, and within ten Days after seizure, sold at public Outery, the one Half of the Proceeds of which shall be to the said Collector and Informer, if any, and the other Half to the same uses as the Duties imposed by this Act; and that any Person summoned

functioned, or required to aid and affift as above mentioned, and refusing to to do, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Pounds current Money, to be recovered by the Collector to whom fuch refusal shall be made.

And be it also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that in case any Collector shall trace any Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquor to the possession of any Person who shall not have reported the same, agreeable to the Prescription of this Act, and who shall neglect or refuse either to produce the same, pay the Excise therefor, or point out the manner wherein the same has been disposed of, so as that the Excise may be collected therefor, then, and in every such Case, such Collector shall be authorised and empowered to levy for the Excise on all such Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors, on the Resusers and Delayers Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements, in the manner herein before prescribed.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforestid, that the Public Treasurer shall, in the BERMUDA GAZETTE, subsequent to each Report, cause to be inserted under his Signature as Public Treasurer, a List of the several Quantities of Rum or other spirit tuous distilled Liquors imported and exported during the continuance of this Act, with the Names of the Vessels, the Master and Person importing and exporting the same; and that every Importer be deemed and confidered liable to the Duty hereby imposed on Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors, such Quintities only excepted as shall be by him re-shipped or sold in the Calk or Vessel as imported, and then, and in such Case only, on Condition that he shall, within forty-eight Hours after the Transaction, give Notice thereof, in writing, to the Collector of the Patish to whom such Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors shill have been reported; and in case of deception or milinformation in such Notice, the said Importer be subject and liable to pay to the faid Collector double Duty for all Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors, of the sale or re-shipment of which he shall have given undue and irregular Notice -And also, that any Collector teceiving Information of Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors, from the Importer thereof, or otherwise, having been sold to a Person residing in a different Parish, shall, without delay, notify the same in writing to the Collector of the Parish where such Purchaser shall reside, and that he be allowed a reasonable Charge spains the Public therefor: Provided always, that if any Duties hereby Coldings.

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hereby imposed on Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors, be lost, or not collected through the Neglect or Delay of any Collector whatever, the Collector so neglecting or delaying shall be subject and liable to the payment of such Duties in like manner as if the same had been actually collected and received by him; and that each Collector do make an abatement of sisteen Gallons in every hundred Gallons, to be computed from the original Gauge of the Cask or Vessel containing Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors sold and expended within these Islands, as an allowance for waste, and that no other allowance be made, except in case of extraordinary Accident, to be proved by Oath, to the satisfaction of the Collector of the Parish where such Accident shall have happened.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that every Importer of Rum during the continuance of this Act, shall be obliged every Six Months after the Time of Report, or as much sooner as the said Rum shall have been disposed of, to deliver to the Treasurer a just and true Account of the manner wherein the said Rum shall have been so disposed of, and to whom sold and delivered, under the Penalty of being liable to pay One Shilling a Gallon on all such Rum as such Importer shall not have accounted for, to be recovered by the said Treasurer, as in Actions of Debt not exceeding Forty Shillings.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforefaid, that for each Horse, Mare, and Gelding, which, on the first Day of October next shall be owned or possessed by any Inhabitant of these Islands, there be in like manner paid the Sum of Ten Shillings current Money; and that in default of payment thereof, twenty Days previous Notice being given by Advertisement in the Bermuda Gazette, the Collectors of the faid Tax on Horses be authorised and empowered, and they are hereby declared respectively to be fully authorised and empowered to levy the same by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements of fuch Owners and Possessions neglecting to pay as aforesaid; and that the Collectors be severally authorised and empowered to retain to themselves from the proceeds of every Sale the Sum of Five Shillings current Money, or a Sum equal to the Amount of the Tax levied for, at their option, as a Compensation for the Trouble incurred in consequence of fuch Levy and Sale.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the Master or Commander of any Vessel importing Horses, Mares, or Geldings

beldings, during the continuance of this Act, shall, immediately on his arrival in these Islands, make, and on Oath, if required, a just and true Report of the Number of such Horses, Mares, and Geldings, so by him imported, to the Public Treasurer, and at the expitation of ninety Days thereaster pay unto the said Treasurer the sum of Forty Shillings current Money for each and every of the said Horses, Mares, and Geldings, under pain of being subject to the Payment of Five Pounds for each and every of the said Horses, Mares, and Geldings, which shall not be reported and paid for as aforesaid. Always provided, that such Master or Commander be exempt from the payment of the Tax hereby imposed for all such Horses, Mares, and Geldings as he shall be able to make appear to the satisfaction of the Treasurer aforesaid shall have been actually exported again within ninety Days next after their Importation as aforesaid.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the following Persons be, and they are hereby appointed Collectors of the
Excise on Rum, and other spirituous distilled Liquors, Tax on
Horses, Mares, and Geldings, Tax on Free Negroes, Mulattoes
and Mustees, and Tax on Negroes or other Slaves, that is to say,

For St. George's Parish, Mr. John M'LACHLAN.

For Hamilton Parish, Mr. THOMAS WOOD.

For Smith's Parish, Mr. PETER GALLAGHER.

For Devonshire Parish, Mr. WILLIAM PEROT.

For Pembroke Parish, Captain George Robinson.

For Paget's Parish, Mr. DANIEL ASTWOOD.

For Warwick Parish, Mr. DANIEL GILBERT.

For Southampton Parish, Mr. FRANCIS DICKINSON.

For Sandy's Parish, Mr. JAMES BURROWS.

AND that the Public Treasurer shall, in the BERMUDA GA-PETTE, subsequent to the passing of this Act, notify the Collectors aforesaid of their respective Appointments, and that such Collectors shall, within ten Days thereaster, severally offer and tender themselves to some one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for taking an Oath of Office, which each and every Justice of the Peace so called upon, is hereby authorized and declared to be obliged to administer, in the Words following, to wit,

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Support of the Government of these His Majesty's Islands," and for other Purposes mentioned therein," Collector of the Duty on all Rum or other spirituous distilled hiquors, that shall or may be retailed, vended, sold or expended during the continuance of the said Act within—Parish, in these Islands; and also a Tax on every Negro or other Slave, Horse, Mare, or Gelding, belonging to or possessed by the Inhabitants of the said Parish, and every Free Negro, Mulatto, or Mustee, above the age of Fifteen, and under the age of Sixty Years, residing within the same, do solemnly swear that I will, to the utmost of my Power and Ability, saithfully and impartially discharge the Trust reposed in me by the said Act. So help me God."

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AND be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that for every Negro or other Slave, whether at Sea or on Shore, which on the first Day of October next, shall be owned or possessed by any Inhabitant of these Islands, there be brought, delivered and paid to the Callector of the Parish where the Owner or Possessor of such Negro Slave shall dwell or refide, on or before the first Day of December. next, the Sum of Two Shillings; and that for this purpose each Owner or Possessor of any Negro or other Slave, shall, on or before the faid first Day of October next, give in, upon Oath, if required, to the Collector of the Tax hereby imposed on Slaves for the Parish where such Owner or Possessor shall reside, a List of every Negro or other Slave which he or the thall then possess, in any manner or capacity whatever, according to the best of his or her Knowledge, under the Penalty of Six Shillings for each Negro or other flave whose Names shall not have been so given in, to be recovered by the faid Collector, which Oath the Collector aforesaid is hereby authorised to administer without Fee or Reward. And that in case of the absence of any Person, being an Inhabitant of these Islands, when the Monies arising by virtue of the Tax by this Law imposed on Negroes or other Slaves shall become due, the Wife or other Person entrusted with the care of the Effects of fuch absent Person, Be obliged to pay the Monies due by virtue of the said Tall on Negroes or other Slaves, out of the Bifects of fuch abient Per fon. And allo, that in default of payment of any or either of the faid Same (on twenty Days previous Motice being given by Ad vertisement in the Bertinuda Gazette) the Golfectons of the faid Tan on Negroes or other Slaves be authorifed and empowered, and they are hereby declared respectively to be authorised and empowered to levy the fame by diffress and fale of the Goods and Chattely, Band

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Shales neglecting to bring, deliver, and pay, and give in Lifts as aforefield or either of them. And that the Collectors be feverally authorifed and empowered to retain to themselves from the Proceeds of every Sale the Sum of Six Shillings current Money, or a Sum equal to the Amount of the Tax levied for, at their option, as a Compensation for the Trouble incurred in consequence of such Levy and Sale.

And be it further emacted by the Authority aforefaid, that the Mid Collectors shall receive at and after the rate of Ten Pounds for every Hundred Pounds which they shall pay to the Public Freasurer, arising from the Duty on Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors by them collected; and at and after the rate of Five Pounds for every Hundred Pounds which they shall in like manner pay from the Taxes hereby imposed on Negroes or other Slaves, Free Negroes, Mulattoes, and Mustees, and Horses, Mares and Geldings, and that the faid Collectors shall Quarterly, that is to say, within ten Days after the said first Day of November next, and the first Days of February, May and August, in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety, or at the expiration of their respective Offices, if sooner ended, pay to the Public Treasurer all Monies by them received for the Duty on Rum or other spirituous distilled Liquors, imposed by this Act, the Commission herein before allowed first deducted, and within ten Days after the expiration of their respective Offices, render unto the said Treasurer, and upon Oath, if required, just and true Account of Monies so received, and from whom; which Account, in order the better to detect any Error or Omifion in the Collection of the faid Duty on Rum or other spirituous liftiled Liquors, the Entries shall be so worded, as to shew wheher the said Collectors have properly or not availed themselves of he Notices directed to them in consequence of this Act, and therwise complied with the Requisites thereof; and that the said ollectors shall severally, on or before the first Day of January. ext, in like manner pay to the Public Treasurer all Monies by hem received from the Taxes hereby imposed on Negroes or other aves, Free Negroes, Mulattoes, or Mustees, and Horses, Mares d Geldings, the Commission herein allowed first deducted, renring at the Time, and upon Oath, if required, a just and true count of the Monies to received, and from whom; all which counts, as well respecting the Duty hereby imposed on Rum or -distances

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other spirituous distilled Liquors, as the Taxes on Negroes of other Slaves, Free Negroes, Mulattoes or Mustees, and Horses, Mares and Geldings, shall be deposited and reserved in the Treassurer's Office, for the inspection of the Legislature. And in case any such Collector shall refuse or neglect to tender himself for qualification in the manner herein before directed, and after qualification fully to comply with the other Requisites of this Act, he shall forfeit and pay for such Offence the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds current Money, to be recovered by the Public Treasurer in any Court of Record in these Islands, by Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoin, Protection, or Wages of Law shall be allowed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that as often as it shall happen that either of the said Collectors shall be rendered incapable of holding his Office by death or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for the Commander in Chief for the Time being, by and with the Advice of his Majesty's Council, to fill up such Vacancy, and every Person by him so nominated and appointed, shall be subject to the like Restrictions and Penalties as those imposed on the Collectors herein nominated and appointed.

AND be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that from and after the first Day of August next, until the first Day of August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety, there bea Duty of Two Pounds Ten Shillings in every Hundred Pounds, on all Houses, Lands, Goods, Wares, Merchandize, Chattels, and Effects sold at Auction within these Islands; those sold by Execution or belonging to Infolvent Estates only excepted; and that every Person who shall, during the continuance of this Act, enter on the Sale of any Houses, Lands, Goods, Wares, Merchandize, Chattels, or Effects, subject to the above Duty, shall, previou thereto give unto the Public Treasurer good and sufficient Security that the same shall be particularly reported to him the said Treasurer, within thirty Days after Sale, and that the Duty im posed by this Act shall be thereupon regularly paid to the said Treasurer out of the Proceeds of such Sale, One and One Quarte per Cent. being first deducted as a Compensation to the Auctiones for collecting and paying the same, and that any Person presuming to enter on the Sale of Houses, Lands, Goods, Wares, Merchan dize, Chattels, or Effects at Auction, subject to the Duty hered imposed, without having previously given the Security above mentions

nentioned, shall, for every such Offence, forseit and pay the sull value of the Houses, Lands, Goods, Wares, Merchandize, Chatels or Effects so sold, to be ascertained in any manner satisfactory othe Court where such Offence shall be cognizable.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesiid, that on before the first Day of March next there be paid into the Public reasury by the several Parishes in these Islands, to wit, St. George's, Hamilton, Smith's, Devonshire, Pembroke, Paget's, Warwick, Southampton, and Sandy's respectively, the Sum of One Hunred and Fifty Pounds current Money each; and that for this purofe the Vestry or Assessors of each of the said Parishes for the Time being, be, and they are hereby declared to be feverally and espectively required, authorized and empowered, having previously aken an Oath before some one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace in these Islands, to proceed with Justice and Impartiality to wife by Affessment and Levy, on or before the said first Day of March next, on the Lands, Houses, Tenements, Hereditaments, nd other Real Estate in the said Parishes lying and being, (the Real Estate of any Widow not exceeding One Hundred Pounds currency in value only excepted) in such manner and form as to uch Vestry and Assessors, or a major part of them, may seem meet nd agreeable to Equity and good Conscience, the said Sum of One fundred and Fifty Pounds, and cause the same to be paid, without ny deduction whatever, into the Public Treasury aforesaid. And hat in case of default either wholly or in part, it shall and may be awful for the Public Treasurer, having given ten Days previous lotice in the BERMUDA GAZETTE, to seize any Goods or Chatels, Lands, Tenements, or other Real Estate, that may belong to ny Person or Persons resident or being a Freeholder in such Parish, the value of the Sum in arrear and unpaid, with the usual, cufomary and legal Poundage, and other incidental Charges, and to take sale thereof, due and regular Notice of the Time and Place f Sale being previously given in the BERMUDA GAZETTE .lways provided, that it be in the power of the Person whose foods or Chattels, Lands, Tenements, or other Estate shall be so vied on, by application to the Chief Justice of these Islands, to otain, and fuch Chief Justice is hereby empowered to iffue an recution, authorifing the Provost Marshall General in like maner to levy the Sum paid, with incidental Charges, as above-menoned, on any other Goods or Chattels, Lands, Tenements, or ther Estate belonging to the Residents or Freeholders in such arish that shall be pointed out by the Plaintif, and so in succeson, when and as often as occasion may require.—And also al-Ways

ways provided, that no Goods or Chattels, Lands, Tenements, or other Estate be twice levied on, in the possession of the same Perfon, and that no Goods or Chattels, Lands, Tenements, or other Estate, be levied upon which may belong to any Person who shall be able clearly to make it appear to the Officer about to make the Levy or Sale, that he or she has either paid his or her Proportion of the said Sum, or tendered and offered at any Time previous to the said sirst Day of March next, to pay to such Vestry and Assession, or any one or more of them, his or her proportion of the same.

And be it also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that in every Levy to be made by Virtue of this Act, the Overplus, after payment of the Sum levied for, with incidental Charges, be restored to the Person whose Goods or Chattels, Lands, Tenements, or other Estate, or either of them, shall have been so levied on.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that by every Free Negro, Mulatto, or Mustee, resident in these Islands, and who shall, on the first Day of October next, be above the Age of Fisteen, and under the Age of Sixty Years, there be paid on or before the first Day of December next the Sum of Six Shillings and Eight-Pence Current Money; and that the same, in case of neglect or resusal, be levied by distress and sale of the Goods and Chattels of such Free Negro, Mulatto and Mustee, by the said Collectors, and by them paid to the Public Treasurer on or before the Time herein before for that purpose mentioned and prescribed.—Always provided, that in case of dispute whether any Free Negro, Mulatto or Mustee, is of the Age above limitted or not, the burthen of the Proof shall lie on such Free Negro, Mulatto or Mustee, to be determined by such Magistrate as the Collector demanding the Tax may see sit to apply to on the occasion.

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And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that all Monies arising by virtue of this Act, whether by Fine, Forseiture, or otherwise, not herein before particularly appropriated, be to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, for and towards supplying the Desiciency of the Fund established by an Act, intitled "An Act for raising a Public Revenue for the Support of the Government of these His Majesty's Islands."

VOTED and passed the Assembly this 17th Day of July 1789, and Ordered to be taid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.
CONCURRED to by the Council this 18th Day of July 1789.

JOHN HARVY, President

ASSENTED to this 18th Day of July 1789.
HENRY HAMILTON.



An ACT for the Establishment of a CIVIL WATCH in these Islands.

HEREAS the Establishment of a Civil Preamble. Watch, from Experience, has been found to be productive of beneficial effects, We, therefore, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Ma-

jesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that during the continuance of this Act there be one Watch, composed of three Men, A Watch, kept in each Parish, as often as the Justice or Justices in said Parish composed of shall think proper to direct, being not less than once a Week; and to be kept in in case the said Watch should meet with any Obstruction in the as often as execution of the Duty required of them by this Act, they shall the Justice then call in the Constable that may be nearest at hand, who is here-being not by directed and required to give every affistance and support that he once a Week. from his Office is enabled to do.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that every meetingwith Male white Person above the Age of Twenty-One Years, being an In-Obstruction habitant of these Islands, shall, and is hereby declared to be obliged cution of to watch, or find a sufficient Watchman, agreeable to the Direction and require of this Act; and that every Widow or fingle Woman, an Inhabi-ingthe same. tant of these Islands, being Mistress of a Family, and owning or white Person possessing two or more Slaves, shall, and are hereby declared to be tant) obligobliged to find a sufficient Watchman for the Purposes of this Act. ed to watch. Provided always, that any fingle Man, being an Inhabitant, be not or fingle R Hire's on to start gold obliged ing Miltrefs

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of a Family, obliged to find a Watchman during the time such single Man shall or owning 2 Slaves, ob- be absent from these Islands, unless he shall be Owner or Possessor liged to find a Watchman of one or more Slaves remaining here; in which case the Possessor ThePossessor or Possessor of such Slave or Slaves shall be compelled to find or of a Slave provide a sufficient Watchman for such absent Person, and in case to any single Man, an In- of failure, that the Penalty herein after-mentioned for not finding habitant of a sufficient Watchman, be raised from the Labour and Hire of such from these Slave or Slaves under Direction of the Magistrate.

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Justices to tice of the Peace in these Islands shall, and he is hereby empowered take an Account of the and required within thirty Days from the passing of this Act, to take Names of the an exact Account of the Names of the Inhabitants of their respective Parishes; and thence make a just and true List of such as are spective Parishes, &c. obliged by this Act to watch or find a Watchman, distributed into Watches as herein before directed, and shall deliver such List so made out, to the Constable or Constables of the said Parish, at or before the expiration of the said thirty Days, which said Constable

Eight Hours or Constables is, and are hereby required and directed to give to previous Notice to be such Person whose turn, by said List it may be to Watch, at least given by the Eight Hours previous Notice thereof, either to the Party, or some constable to white Person residing in the House where such Person so to have whose turn it shall be to Notice resides. And in case any Constable shall neglect or result watch. Penalty on to do what is required of him by this Act, he shall forfeit and pay constables the Sum of Five Shillings current Money for each and every Desor every Desault. Such a pay shall reside.

Vearly Al- And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that is lowance of consideration of the extraordinary Duty required by this Act of the Constable Constables, every Constable of the different Parishes, except the Parish of rish of St. George, be allowed the Sum of Fifty Shillings current St. George) Money per Year, to be paid him by the Churchwarden or Church wardens of the respective Parishes, he first producing a Certificate Churchwarden and Magistrate of the Parish that the said Constable has demeanded.

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ed himself properly in the execution of his Office. And that in Certificate of the Parish of St. George the Sum of Four Pounds current Money viour to be be by the Magistrates and Vestry or Assessors distributed among the previously several Constables of said Parish, in such manner as they shall think Four Pounds to be diftrimost agreeable to their Merits, which said Sums so payable to the buted by the said Constables, shall be raised and affessed for in like manner as and Assessors other Parochial Charges. ofStGeorge's Parish a-

mongst the And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that each several Conand every Watch appointed by this Act, shall convene at such To be raised as other Pa-Time, and Watch so long, as shall be by the Magistrates of the rochial Parish directed between the Hours of nine o'Clock in the Evening Charges. and Day Break, and shall have power to visit and search all Negroes Watchmen. Cabbins and other suspected Places of their resort, and shall seize any Goods or other Effects whatever that they suppose to be stole, and shall report and deliver the same to a Magistrate of the Parish, who is hereby authorised and required to take cognizance thereof. And in case Inwhat Cases the entrance of a Watch into any Cabbin or Place of Negroes re-it may be lawful for a fort be refused or delayed, it shall and may be lawful for such watch to Watch, after application for that purpose having been first made to break open the Doors of the Master or Owner thereof, and in case of his or her absence, to any Cabbin, any white Person being in or about the Dwelling House to which Place of Nesuch Cabbin or Place of resort is appurtenant, to break open the groes resort. Doors of any such Cabbin or other Place of resort, that due search

may be made.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that within Watchbix Months from the passing of this Act there be one or more erected in Watch-houses erected in every Parish in these Islands, at the ex-the several pence of the Parish; the Number and Dimensions of such Watch-within Six ouse or Watch-houses to be fixed by the Justices and Vestry or Affessors, for the reception of all Slaves that shall be found Delin- at the Exuents within the said Parish, and that the Expence of erecting pence of said uch Watch-house or Watch-houses be levied on the Inhabitants specively. f each Parish in the like manner as other Parochial Charges; and A Keeper to hat a Keeper to each Watch-house be elected and chosen in like panner as other Parish Officers.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that Any Slave met with in any Slave or Slaves shall be met with from Nine o'Clock in the the Night by the Watch vening to Day-break, by the Watch, or any other Person or Person any other ns out of his or her Owners or Possessors Lands, such Slave or Person, without a aves not having a Ticket in Writing from his, her or their Ticket from his Owner) Owner to be comWatchhouse.

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mitted to a Owner or Possessor, dated, and expressing the Time of his departure, and the Place to which he is ordered, (which Ticket shall not be in force but for the present Occasion, except only such Ticket as shall be given a Male Negro Slave for the purpose of allowing him to visit the Habitation of his Wife) such Slave or Slaves shall be taken into Custody by the Watch, or other Person or Persons

aforesaid, and committed to a Watch-house of the Parish wherein fuch Slave or Slaves shall be so taken up, and that before such Slave or Slaves shall be liberated, the Propriety of his, her or their confinement and detention having been previously determined on by the Magistrate to whom report shall be made by the Watch or

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Report to be Person apprehending (which Report the Watch or Person appremade to a hending are hereby required without delay to make) the Owner of without de- fuch Slave or Slaves shall be obliged to pay to the Keeper of such The Owner Watch-house the Sum of Two Shillings and Eight-pence for each of every Slave so taken up, of which One Shilling and Four-pence shall be Slave fo taken up & retained by the faid Keeper to his own use, and the remaining One to pay 25.8d. Shilling and Four-pence be given to the Person or Persons appreof which the hending fuch Slave. And that the faid Keeper shall be obliged to retain one inflict, or cause to be inflicted, on said Slave or-Slaves so many half, and to give to the Sripes as the Justice of the Peace taking cognizance of the Offence

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fuch Slave the other AND in order to prevent the Inconveniencies derived by the The Keeper Desertion of Slaves from their Owners, be it enacted by the Auobliged to inflict upon thority aforesaid, that if any Slave be found so loitering out of the manyStripes Parish where the Owner or Possessor shall reside, as to justify a sufas the Justice picion of desertion, and cannot produce a Ticket from which it EveryPerson shall clearly appear that such Slave is then in the positive Service authorised to commit to of his or her Owner or Possessor, it shall and may be lawful for Watch house any Person whatever to commit such Slave to the nearest Watchany Slave house, where such Slave shall be dealt with as before directed in ing out of Cases of Slaves taken up by the Watch.

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made appear to the satisfaction of such Magistrate that such Slave Such Magishad good cause of absence, then such Magistrate shall order such quire into Slave so many Lashes, not exceeding thirty-nine, as he in his dis- fuch Abcretion shall think proper. Provided always, that if any Slave shall be met with by the Watch, or any other Person or Persons without met with, a Ticket, and shall affert that he or she is sent with a Message to a Ticket, who Physician or Midwife, or on some other emergent Errand; that then that he is the faid Watch shall permit such Slave to proceed; but if they fent to a suspect the truth of his or her Assertion, they shall then report or on some such Transaction to the Magistrate the next Day, who is hereby required to take cognizance thereof.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that in case the Watch shall refuse or neglect to apprehend and commit to reported to the Watch-house any Slave met with as before described, or shall trate, who is fail to make report to a Magistrate of the Name of any Slave absent take cognifrom his or her allowed Place of Refort, that then each and every zance there-Person of such Watch shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Shil-Penalty on lings current Money.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that every Person taking upon himself the Office of Jumper, or to punish them. Slaves, shall, on every Occasion, either at the Direction of the er, and in Justice, or the request of the Owner or Possessor of any Slave, be obliged to punish such Slave; and in default of a Jumper, every con-Constable of these Islands, being so called upon to punish any such called upon Slave, shall be obliged to give his attendance and inflict punishment Slave, obaccordingly. And if it shall so happen that the Jumper or Constable aforesaid shall be called upon by any such Owner or Possessor of any sie Punish-Slave to punish such Slave, and for that purpose attending, the ingly. Owner or Possessor shall neglect to cause the said Slave to be pu- er or Connished, such Jumper or Constable shall notwithstanding receive stable shall the same Fee as if such Slave had been by him actually punished. punish

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that if shall neglect any Person shall collusively write or give a Ticket to any Slave, Slave to be such Person so writing or giving a Ticket, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Shillings, and the Slave making use of such or Constable Ticket, shall receive thirty-nine Lashes on his or her naked Back, theless reon conviction of the same before a Justice of the Peace.

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AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that every Watch in these Islands which shall hear an Uproar or Disturbance in any neighbouring Parish, or shall otherwise see cause for so doing, shall, and they are hereby authorised and required to enter such to enter into Parish, and act in the same manner as the said Watch is hereby fuch Parish, authorised to do in its proper Parish.

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AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that all not before Fines and Forfeitures arising by virtue of this Act, and not before ed, and by appropriated, shall be recovered by any Person or Persons who shall whom to be fue for the same; and shall go one half thereof to the Person or Persons so suing, and the other Half to the use of the Parish where fuch Fines and Forfeitures shall arise.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be and continue in force for and during the Term of Se. ven Years from the passing hereof, and then to determine and expire.

> UNANIMOUSLY passed the Assembly this 8th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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BERMUDA.

An ACT for making an Addition to the Act, entitled "An Act for the Establish-" ment and Regulation of the Militia of "Bermuda," for the purpose of establishing a Volunteer Artillery Company from the said Militia in the Town of St. George.

HEREAS it is effential to the common Security that the Service of the Militia should be drawn into every state of Improvement that might be confistent with the Situation of the People, and it has been conceived that the Establishment of a Volunteer Artillery Company would have a tendency to render the Operation of the Militia more effectual in the defence of their Country, We, therefore, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal-Subjects the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that the following Articles be hereby added for the Purpose, to the Act, entitled "An "Act for the Establishment and Regulation of the Militia of Ber-"muda," to be continued in force a long with the said Act, and with the same to determine and expire.

ARTICLE I. That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, to cause to be raised

raised and established a Volunteer Artillery Company from the Militia of the Town and Parish of St. George, to consist of twenty Privates.

ARTICLE II. That there be to the said Volunteer Artillery Company, one Lieutenant to be commissioned by the Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, and two Serjeants.

ARTICLE III. That the manner of enlisting in the said Volunteer Artillery Company be similar to that affixed to the Troop, and that the said Company be liable to all Fines, Penalties, Constraints and Restrictions, for the better enforcing of Order and Discipline in common with other Militia Companies under the Act, entitled "An Act for the Establishment and Regulation of the Militia of Bermuda."

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BERMUDA.

An ACT to encourage the Cultivation of CEDAR TREES within the Bermuda Islands, and to subject the Exportation of Cedar Trees, Timber and Scantling to certain necessary Restrictions.

THEREAS the Bermuda Islands have been proved to be well adapted to the Growth of Cedar Trees, which are convertible to very beneficial Purposes; in order, therefore, to give a due Encouragement to the Cultivation of the fame, We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Affembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that every Person who shall, at any Time between the first Day of September next and the first Day of September which will be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-two, plant in the manner herein after prescribed, any Number of Cedar Trees, not less than Two Thousand, and duly cultivate the same for three Years, on producing to the annual Committee for taxing Demands on the Public a fatisfactory Certificate from the Magistrates, Vestry or Churchwardens of the Pariffs, of the Number of Trees so planted and cultivated, shall, for every Hundred of such Trees so planted and oultivated, be entitled to receive from the Public Treasury a Bounty at the rate of Eight Shillings and Four-pence, to be provided for in like manner with the ordinary Expences of Government.

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And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that no Trees whatever shall be entitled to the above Bounty, except such as shall be planted in the following manner, to wit, the Trees to be planted in a single Row, on each or either side of the public Highway, of a Division Line or a Partition Wall, Fence, Rail or Ditch, shall be not less than Six Feet as under every way; and those to be planted in any other Place whatever, not less than Fisteen Feet as under every way as aforesaid.

Awn be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that no Cedar Tree, Timber or Scantling whatever, of the growth of these Illands, shall, at any Time between the said first Day of September next and the first Day of September which will be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-two, be exported from these Islands (such straight Pieces or Stump Ends of Trees as shall not exceed Nine Feet in length, and shall not be less than Twelve Inches in diameter at the Head Part thereof, or the End opposite the Stump End, only excepted) under pain of forfeiting double the Value of fuch Trees, Timber or Scantling, fo exported, to be recovered of the Master of the Vessel exporting the same, or the Person making the Shipment, by whoever shall sue for the same, in any Court of Record in these Islands, by Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law shall be allowed, the one Half of which shall be to the Uses and Purposes of the Parish wherein the Transgression shall have been committed, and the other Half to the Person suing for the fame.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the Public Secretary shall not, during the continuance of this Act, clear any Vessel at his Office having Cedar Trees, Timber or Scantling on Board, until the Master of such Vessel shall produce to him a Certificate from under the Hands of the Magistrate, Vestry, or Churchwardens of the Parish where such Cedar shall be laden

laden for exportation, that such Trees, Timber or Scantling, are really and truly not longer or of less diameter than what is herein before directed; and that in case of any Dispute with respect to the size of any Cedar Trees, Timber or Scantling exported, or about to be exported, such Certificate shall be allowed to be conclusive Evidence in any Court whatever in these Islands.

VOTED and unanimously passed the Assembly this 16th Day of July 1789, and ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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JOHN HARVY, President.

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An ACT for the further Encouragement of the CULTIVATION of LANDS within the BERMUDA ISLANDS.

HEREAS the Bermuda Islands have been from the want of a due Attention to the Cultivation of Lands, long subjected to the necesfity of drawing their chief Supplies of Bread from Abroad, in order therefore to prevent as much as may be the ill effects of fo precarious and dependant a State, We, your Majesty's most

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dutiful and loyal Subjects the General Affembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that every Person who shall, within the space of one Year, during the continuation of this Act, cultivate and raise within these Islands any Quantity of Indian Corn, Pease, Beans, Wheat, Barley, or Oats, which when cleaned shall amount to thirty Bushels or upwards, and shall prove to the satisfaction of the Committee appointed to tax Public Bills, by Certificate from the Magistrate, Vestry, or Churchwardens of the Parish, of the growth and cultivation thereof, shall be entitled to receive from the Public Treasury the following Bounties, to be provided for in the like manner with the ordinary Expences of Government, to wit, for every Bushel of any Quantity exceeding Thirty, and under Fifty Bushels, One Shilling; for the first argest Quantity more than One Hundred Bushels, Twenty Pounds; or the second largest Quantity more than Seventy-five Bushels, fifteen Pounds; for the third largest Quantity more than Fifty Bushels, Ten Pounds; and for every other Quantity more than Fifty Bushels, and not entitled to any of the foregoing Premiums, Five Pounds. And that this Act shall continue in force for the space of Two Years from the first Day of July next, and then to determine and expire.

UNANIMOUSLY passed the Assembly this 7th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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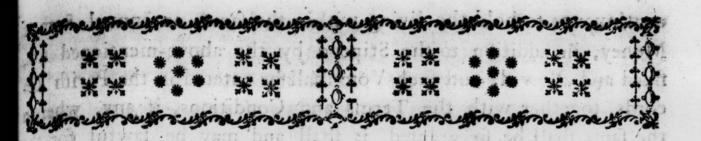
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BERMUDA.

An ACT for an Addition to and Amendment of an Act, entitled "An Act for "fettling a Yearly Revenue upon the Mi"nisters of these Islands," and for declaring Land and Real Estate liable to the Payment of Parochial Charges in the Parish where it may lie.

HEREAS from the enhanced Price of the Necessaries of Life the Stipend fixed by the faid Act, entitled, " An Act for fettling a Yearly Revenue upon the Ministers of these Islands," is rendered less equal to the decent Suport of the Clergy, than it was at the Time of the passing the said Act, We, therefore, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal bubjects, the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bernuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech our Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is herey enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that then and as often as the Inhabitants and Freeholders of any Parish these Islands, assembled in full Parish Meeting, in consequence proper Notice for that purpose to be given, shall by Vote, freely od voluntarily fix on the Incumbent of such Parish, during his continuMoney, in addition to the Stipend by the above-mentioned Act, fixed and allowed, and such Vote shall be entered in the Parish Records, together with the Terms and Conditions, if any, wherein the same shall be so granted, it shall and may be lawful for the Vestry and Assessor of such Parish to provide for and enforce the Payment of such additional Salary in the like manner with other Parochial Charges; and that in Case of Assessment for any kind of Parochial Charges whatever, the Land or other Real Estate lying in any Parish in these Islands, shall be rated thereto, whether owned by a Parishioner or not.

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JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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BERMUDA.

An ACT for the Preservation of the several Harbours in these Islands, by the Removal of the Hulks, Wrecks and Remains of Vessels which still continue to lie therein, and pointing out the Mode to be observed in the Removal of any Hulks, Wrecks and Remains of Vessels in suture; and for the Prevention of Damage by the improper heaving of Ballast, Rubbish and Gravel into the said Harbours.



HEREAS, notwithstanding the Law heretofore enacted for the Preservation of the several Harbours in these Islands, has been sound productive of beneficial Effects to the Public, yet the same has been suffered to expire,—In order, therefore, to continue the pursuit of so laudable a Measure, We, your Majesty's most

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tively have power, when and as often as they shall conceive, or complaint shall be to them made, that the Hulk, Wreck or Remains of any Vessel already introduced, or which may hereafter be introduced into any or either of the Harbours within these Islands, is prejudicial or likely to become prejudicial to such Harbour, or the Vessels or Boats resorting thither, to give Notice thereof to the Pro. prietor of fuch Hulk, Wreck or Remains, or the Person who introduc. ed the same, to remove the same within Forty Days; and in case of Refusal or Delay, to cause such Hulk, Wreck or Remains, to be removed from such Harbour in the most easy, cheap and expeditious manner in their power, by breaking up, burning; destroying, and con. verting the same to their own use, or otherwise disposing of the same, as shall be thought best to answer the Intentions of this Act, and to demand and have from the Owner or Proprietor of any Hulk, Wreck or Remains of a Vessel hereafter to be introduced into these Islands, or the Person who shall introduce the same, the Cost and Charge of fuch Removal, together with the Sum of Ten Pounds, as a Compensation to the said Master and Wardens, for their Pains and Trouble on the occasion, and to recover the same in case of refusal in any Court in these Islands, having power to take cognizance of fuch Action, by Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Effoin, Protection, or Wager of Law shall be allowed. in case the Hulk, Wreck or Remains of any Vessel already introduced, and which the Mafter and Wardens shall deem prejudicial and cause to be removed, shall, on Sale or a fair Valuation, appear to be unequal to the Charge of removing the fame; or it shall happen that the Hulk, Wreck or Remains of any Vessel which shall hereafter be introduced, and removed by the said Master and Wardens as aforefaid, is neither owned nor shall have been introduced by any Inhabitant or Resident of or in these Islands, or any Person who shall have Property in these Islands, which might attached to defray the Expence of the Removal, then, and in ever such Case, that the Expence of the Removal of any and every such Hulk, Wreck or Remains of a Veffel, be defrayed and borne by the Public, the Quantum thereof being first ascertained by the Committee for taxing Public Bills.

AND Whereas the several Harbours within these Islands has been, in some measure, choaked up, and consequently damage by the casting or throwing of Ballast, Rubbish, and Gravel in the same,—In order, therefore, to remedy this Inconvenience, be further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that any Master, Owns

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or Part Owner of any Ship, Vessel or Boat, or any other Person whosoever, that shall from and after the first Day of August next, cast or throw, or cause to be cast or thrown from any Ship, Vessel or Boat, or from the Shore, any Ballast, Rubbish or Gravel, into any or either of the Harbours within these Islands, or land or place any Ballast, Rubbish or Gravel on the Shore adjacent to such Harbours, or either of them, below High Water Mark, to the prejudice of such Harbour, shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Pounds Current Money, to be recovered by the Master and Wardens of the Port within whose Jurisdiction the injured Harbour shall be, or in case of their Neglect, by any other Person who shall sue for the same, in any Court of Record within these Islands, the One Half of which Fine shall be to the use of the Person or Persons suing for the same, and the other Half to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, for and towards supplying the Deficiency of the Fund established by an Act, entitled, "An Act for raising a Public Revenue for the Support of " the Government of these his Majesty's Islands."

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the Jurisdiction of the Master and Wardens of the Port of St. George do extend to and include the several Harbours contained in the Parishes of St. George, Hamilton, Smith and Devonshire; that of the Master and Wardens of Crow Lane the Parishes of Pembroke, Paget's and Warwick; and that of Ely's Harbour, the Parishes of Sandy's and Southampton.

AND be it also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that this Act be and continue in force for and during the Term of Five Years, and then to determine and expire.

UNANIMOUSLY passed the Assembly this 9th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

ONCURRED to by the Council this 16th Day of July 1789.

JOHN HARVY, Prefident.

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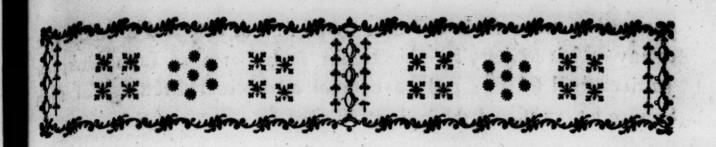
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JAMES TÜCKER, Speaker.

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An ACT for the Punishment of THEFT within the Islands of Bermuda.

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HEREAS it is conceived that evil-difposed Persons may be effectually deterred from
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Parties injured, but to suffer corporal Punishment, We, therefore, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the General Assembly

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tiful and loyal Subjects the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that every White or other free Person who shall, from and after the first Day of September next, steal any Money, Goods, or Chattels, and shall be thereof convicted in any Court having cognizance of the Offence, shall forfeit treble the Value of the Money, Goods, or Chatels so stolen unto the Owner or Owners thereof, and be further punished by Fine or Whipping, at the discretion of the Court or Justices that shall take cognizance of the ame, not exceeding thirty-nine Lashes. That in case of inability to make Restitution, or pay such three-fold Damages, such Oflender be subjected to the necessity of making satisfaction by Service; and that the Court or Justices taking cognizance of such Offence, be empowered, and they are hereby declared to be empowered to order such Offender to be sold or disposed of in Service to any of his Majesty's Subjects, for such Term as such Court or Justices shall see sit; and to compel a punctual discharge of such Service by occasional whipping, if need be.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that when and as often as any Offender shall be convicted solely on the Evidence of the Owner or Owners of the property stolen, the three-fold Forseiture shall be applied, under the Direction of the Vestry or Assessor towards defraying the Charges of the Parish where the Thest shall be committed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that this Act continue in force for the space of Two Years, to be computed from the said first Day of September next, and then to determine and expire.

VOTED and passed the Assembly this 16th Day of July 1789, and ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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An ACT to prolong an Act, entitled "An

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- " ing and Fishing Business from these
- " Islands to distant Countries."

THEREAS the said Act, entitled " An Act for the . " Encouragement of the Whaling and Fishing Busi-" ness from these Islands to distant Countries," was made and passed the thirteenth Day of July One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-seven, and was to continue in force for Two Years, and then to determine and expire; And Whereas it is deemed expedient to continue the Encouragement held out by the faid Act for a longer Period, We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that he faid Act, entitled " An Act for the Encouragement of the "Whaling and Fishing Business from these Islands to distant "Countries," be prolonged, and the same is hereby declared to be prolonged, for the Term of Two Years from the thirteenth Day of July, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-nine, and then to etermine and expire.

VOTED and passed the Assembly this 6th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

ONCURRED to by the Council this 9th Day of May 1789.

JOHN HARVY, President.

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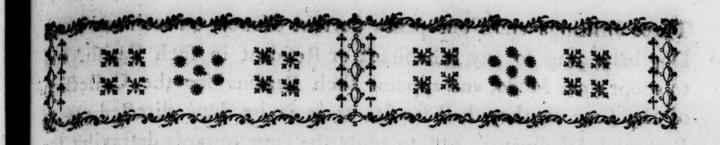
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BERMUDA.

An ACT authorifing the several Parishes in these Islands to impose Taxes on any Dogs belonging to the Inhabitants or Residents within the same respectively.



HEREAS Dogs are daily discovered to be more and more destructive to Poultry and other Stock, and it is conceived, that in addition to the Penalties imposed on the Owners thereof by a Law, entitled "An Act for the Preven"tion of Mischief by Dogs," which passed the twenty-fifth Day of May, One Thousand

Seven Hundred and Eighty-five, and has been transmitted for his Majesty's Royal Assent, it may be politic to authorise the several Parishes in these Islands to discountenance the keeping of Dogs, by imposing annual Taxes on the Owners of the same, We, therefore, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseach your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that from and after the first Day of September next, it shall and may be lawful for the Vestry or Assessment of each and every Parish in these Islands to impose a yearly Tax, not exceeding

Three Shillings and Four-pence current Money, on each and every Dog belonging to any Inhabitant or Resident in such Parish, and to adopt such Mode, and appoint such Persons for the Collection of the same as they shall see sit, or as is by Law directed, as to Parochial Assessments, and to apply the same towards desraying the contingent Charges of such Parish.

AND be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that this Act be in force for the space of Two Years from the said first Day of September next, and then to determine and expire.

VOTED and unanimously passed the Assembly this 16th Day of July 1789, and ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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"tion of the above Act, entitled "An Act for an "Addition to and Amendment of an Act, entitled "An Act to prohibit any Persons from retailing Rum or Liquors "publicly without Licence from the Justice of the Peace," which could not have been expected or foreseen at the original passing of the same, and the wholesome Intentions of the Legislature have been in a great measure thereby deseated,—In order, therefore, to remove such Difficulties in suture, by a subsequent Act more equal

to the Purpose, and to secure to the Uses of the Public a Fund hitherto inefficient, but capable of being rendered not only productive in point of Revenue, but of very beneficial Tendency in respect to the Police, We, therefore, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that the faid Act, entitled " An Act for an Addition to and Amend. " ment of an Act, entitled " An Act to prohibit any Persons from " retailing Rum or Liquors publicly without Licence from the " Justice of the Peace," and the faid other Act, entitled "An "A& for altering, amending, explaining and better enforcing an "Act, entitled "An Act for Addition to and Amendment of an " Act, entitled " An Act to prohibit any Persons from retailing "Rum or other Liquors publicly without Licence from the Jus-" tice of the Peace," be repealed, and the same are hereby declared to be repealed. Always provided, that this Act be not in force until the Royal Affent shall be had thereto and made known in these Islands.

UNANIMOUSLY passed the Assembly this 9th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council so Concurrence.

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An ACT for the better Regulation of the retailing of RUM and other spirituous LIQUORS within these ISLANDS.

HEREAS the Laws heretofore enacted for the prohibition of the indifcriminate retailing of Rum and other spirituous Liquors, have been found inadequate to the Purposes intended by the Legislature; and whereas an Act of the Legislature is now about to pass, entitled "An "Act as well to repeal an Act, entitled "An

Act for an Addition to and Amendment of an Act, entitled 'An Act to prohibit any Persons from retailing Rum or Liquors 'publicly without Licence from the Justice of the Peace," as one other Act, entitled "An Act for altering, amending, explaining and better ensorcing an Act, entitled "An Act for Addition to and Amendment of an Act, entitled "An Act to prohibit any Persons from retailing Rum or Liquors without Licence from the Justice of the Peace," We, therefore, your lajesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the General Assembly these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, o most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of lessame, that from and after the Time when the Royal Assent

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And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that from and after the Period above-limited, it shall and may be lawful for any Justice of the Peace in these Islands to grant to any white Person applying for the same, a Licence for the retailing of Rum of other spirituous distilled Liquors, either mixed or unmixed, in a House therein to be particularly specified, for Twelve Calenda Month's next enfuing the Date of the same, on his or her paying the Sum of Five Pounds current Money, together with Six Shill lings and Eight-pence like Money for the Justices Fees, and en tering into a Recognizance, with two Sureties, in the Sum Twenty-five Pounds each, and himself or herself the Sum of Fift Pounds like current Money, with Condition in the Words follow ing, to wit, The Condition of the above Recognizance is such that if the faid A. B. during the time of his continuing to reta Rum or other spirituous Liquors, as well mixed as unmixed, with in Parish, in these Islands, pursuant to a Licence this De granted him, shall not suffer any Rioting or other Disorder in said House, but shall observe Decency, Moderation, and Sobriet during the Period aforesaid, then the above Recognizance to VO1

nid, or otherwise to remain in full force, power and virtue.—Alnays provided, that it shall be lawful for the Justice of the Peace of grant, on the Conditions herein before expressed, a Licence for it Months only, on the Receipt of Two Pounds Ten Shillings the Money, over and above the Justices Fees limited, and entering to Recognizance as aforesaid.

AND be it also enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that from and after the Period above limited, the several Justices of the Peace these Islands be obliged, and they are hereby severally and rejectively required to surnish the Treasurer with a List of the several Persons to whom they shall have granted Licences as aforesaid, within twenty Days next ensuing the granting of the same, ogether with the Names of the Houses and Parishes wherein such setailers may reside, for insertion in the Bermuda Gazette; and sho to pay to the said Treasurer the Monies by them received for licences as aforesaid.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that all Monies arising by virtue of this Act, whether by Fine, Forseiture of otherwise, not herein before disposed of, be to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, for and towards supplying the Desiciency of the Fund established by an Act, entitled "An Act for raising a "Public Revenue for the Support of the Government of these his "Majesty's Islands."

UNANIMOUSLY passed the Assembly this 9th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

CONCURRED to by the Council this 16th Day of July 1789.

JOHN HARVY, President.

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thirteenth Day of July, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-seven, and was to continue in force for and during the Term of two Years, and then to determine and expire; and whereas the said Act, although of considerable utility, yet is about to expire, We, therefore, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands,

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in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that the said Act, so entitled "An Act for Encouraging the Cultivation of Cotton within these Islands, by granting, for a limited Time, a Bounty on all cleaned Cotton of the growth thereof, which shall be during such Time exported from hence for Great Britain," be prolonged, and the same is hereby declared to be prolonged for the Term of Two Years, and then to determine and expire.

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JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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VOTED and unanimously passed the Assembly this 16th Day of July 1789, and ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

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loyal Subjects, the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majefty's Governor, Council, and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that when any new Assembly shall at any Time hereafter be summoned or called, there shall be forty Days between the Teste and Return of the Writs therefor; and that the Writs for Election of Members in the same Assembly, as well upon the calling or summoning any new Assembly, as in case of any Vacancy during the present or any future Assembly, shall be issued from the Secretary's Office with as much Expedition as may be, and delivered to the proper Officers to whom the execution thereof doth belong or appertain, and to no other Person or Persons whatsoever; and that every such Officer, upon the Receipt of a Writ as aforesaid, shall upon the Back thereof endorse the Day on which he shall have received the same, and shall proceed to Election thereupon within the Space of Ten Days, at the most public and usual Place of Election within the Parish, and where the same has most usually been for Forty Years last past, giving Three Days Public Notice at least of the Time and Place appointed for fuch Election; and in case the said Election shall not be determined upon the view with the Consent of the Freeholders there present, but that a Poll shall be required for the determination thereof, then the Officer aforesaid shall forthwith proceed to take the faid Poll at the Place aforesaid, and to set down the Name of each Freeholder, and for whom he shall poll, and to poll no Freeholder who shall not be duly qualified for the Purpose in the manner herein after-prescribed, and shall appoint, on being thereto required, for each Candidate who shall have previoully established the requisite Qualification under this Act, some one Person to be nominated by such Candidate for inspecting the manner of taking the said Poll, and shall at the same Place of Election proceed to the polling all the Freeholders then and there present; and shall not adjourn to any other Place within the Parish, of elsewhere, without the Consent of all the Candidates, but shall duly and orderly proceed in the taking the faid Poll from Day to Day, and from Time to Time, until all the Freeholders tendering themselves for the Purpose shall be polled, and no longer; and on the completion of the said Poll, shall make a Return agreeably thereto, and in conformity to the Tenor of the Writ for Election; and shall forthwith deliver to the Candidate or Candidates, or any Person or Persons in his or their behalf, desiring the same, a Copy

of the Poll taken at such Election; he or they paying a reasonable. Charge only for writing such Copy. Always provided, that such Returning Officer shall, previous to any Adjournment, make Proclamation of the Hour when the Poll shall be opened on the Day of Adjournment, and of its continuance on that Day; and that it is the Intention of this Act, that when a reasonable Time shall be afforded to every qualified Freeholder in these Islands to attend for the purpose of giving his Vote in case he shall see sit, the Poll shall be sinally closed, and no longer kept open on any Account, Score-or Pretext whatever.

AND be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that no Person or Persons shall be capable of voting in Election of a Member to serve in General Assembly, who shall not be twenty-one Years of Age, and possess in his own Right within the Parish to be reprefented, or receive the Profits thereof, a Freehold rated at the last public Assessment at not less than Forty Pounds, and be registered as a Freeholder of such Parish, and of the foregoing Description one Month previous to the Teste of the Writ for such Election, and in the manner herein after-mentioned. Always provided that Freehold of the preceding Value, coming by Defcent, Marriage, Marriage Settlement, Will or Promotion to a Benefice or Office, hall entitle the Holder to be immediately registered, and to vote as Freeholder at any State of the Poll whatever; and that more Perfons than one shall not be admitted to vote for any one Freehold, except they shall each possess an Interest therein rated in the manner above-mentioned, at not less than Forty Pounds; and that in Mortgaged or Trust Estates the Person in Possession, under the Limitations aforesaid, shall have and be entitled to the Vote.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the Name of every Person holding a Freehold of the preceding Description, shall, within ten Days after the Completion of any public Assessment, in which such Freehold shall have been rated as above-mentioned, be registered in a Book to be keeped for the Purpose, or in the one in which Assessments and other Parochial Transactions are generally entered by those who shall have made or subscribed to such public Assessment as a Freeholder entitled to vote under this act at an Election of Members to serve in General Assembly, particularly distinguishing from the rest the Freeholds rated in such assessment at not less than Two Hundred Pounds; and that in allure thereof the said Assessment shall severally forfeit and pay the

Sum of Ten Pounds to the Freeholder so not registered.—Always provided, that any Person acquiring a Freehold within any Parish of these Islands, by Descent, Purchase, or otherwise, shall have the Privilege of tendering to the Vestry or Assessor of such Parish, Proof of such Requisition, and of the Value thereof, being agreeable to the Stipulations of this Act, and on establishment of such Proof, shall be registered in the manner above-mentioned, and entitled to vote at an Election as aforesaid; and the Vestry or Assessor failing to receive such Proof, and to register in consequence thereof, shall forseit and pay to such Freeholder the like Penalty as in Cases of Failure to register after completion of an Assessment in the manner above-mentioned.

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AND be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that no Person under twenty-one Years of Age, an Alien born, not possesfing in his own Right within the Parish, or receiving the Profits thereof a Freehold rated at the last public Assessment at not less than Two Hundred Pounds, or being the Officer executing the Writ for Election, shall be capable of being elected to serve as a Member in the General Assembly; and that all Estates and Conveyances whatsoever made to any Person or Persons, in any fraudulent or collusive manner or purpose, to qualify him or them to ferve in General Assembly, or to give his or their Vote or Votes at an Election of Members for that Purpose (subject nevertheless to Conditions or Agreements to defeat or determine such Estate, or to recovery of the same) shall be deemed and taken against those Perfons who executed the same as free and absolute, and be holden and enjoyed by all and every such Person or Persons, to whom such Conveyance shall have been made as aforesaid, freely and absolutely acquitted, exonerated and discharged of and from all manner of Trusts, Conditions, Clauses of Re-entry, Powers of Revocation, Provisoes of Redemption, or other Defeazances whatsoever between or with the faid Parties or any other Person or Persons in Trust for them; and that all Bonds, Covenants, Collateral or other Securities Contracts or Agreements between or with the faid Parties, or any other Person or Persons in Trust for them, or any of them, for the redeeming, revoking, or defeating such Estate or Estates, or for the restoring or recovering thereof, or any Part thereof, to any Person or Persons who made or executed such Conveyance, or to any other Person or Persons in trust for them, or any of them, shall be nul and void to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, and that ever Person who shall make and execute such Conveyance or Conveyances

veyances, as aforesaid, or being privy to such Purpose. shall devise or prepare the same; and every Person who by Colour thereof shall fiffer himself to be elected to serve in General Assembly, or give My Vote at any Election of any Member or Members to serve therein, shall for every such Conveyance so made, or Vote so created or given, forfeit the Sum of Twenty-five Pounds to any Person who shall sue for the same. Always provided, that all Writs for the Election of Representatives to serve in Assembly, be directed to the Justice or Justices of the Peace for the respective Parishes, who are hereby declared to be obliged to execute the same, unless such Justices shall be Candidates for the ensuing Election, in which Case the Writ shall be by them delivered to any neighbouring Justice not Candidate, with a Certificate under the Hands and Seals of the Justices named in the Writ, shewing the Cause of such Delivery; 1- and that any neighbouring Justice, on the receipt of any such Writ, be obliged to execute the same under similar Pains and Penalties as if the Writ had been at first directed to him.

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AND be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that every Officer whom the Execution of a Writ for Election of Members to serve in General Assembly doth belong, shall for every wilful Offence, contrary to this Act, forfeit to the Party aggrieved the Sum of One Hundred Pounds; and that the same, and all other Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties, imposed by this Act, and not herein otherto wife particularly directed, be recoverable by the Person or Persons to whom the same are herein before-assigned, or by his or their Executors or Administrators, together with full Costs of Suit, by Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any Court of Record within these lands, wherein no Essoin, Protection, Wager of Law, Privilege Imparlance, shall be admitted. Always provided, that every Action, Suit, or Information, under this Act, shall be commenced n, within the Space of fix Kalendar Months after the Fact upon en which the same may be grounded shall have been committed; and that this Act be not in force until his Majesty's Pleasure shall be ad thereon and made known within these Islands.

NANIMOUSLY passed by the Assembly this 6th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

JAMES TUCKER, Speaker.

ONCURRED to by the Council this 9th Day of May 1789. JOHN HARVY, President.

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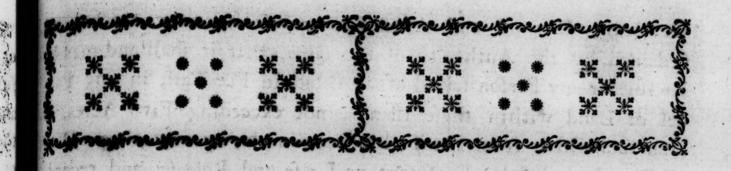
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To enable the Holders of small Parcels of Land within the Bermuda Islands, in Fee Tail, to alter the same to Fee Simple, and directing the Mode of doing the same.

HEREAS many small Parcels of Land within these Islands, held in Fee Tail, can be of little Use to the Holders, unless improved at an Expence much exceeding the original Value, and the Property employed in such Improvements may be, from the present Tenure, conveyed in a manner contrary to the Interest of

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the Families of such Holders, and as the Lands are of themselves unequal to the Expence of such Process as has been had in the Courts of Law and deemed requisite to bar an Estate Tail, and from such Considerations have remained neglected and unemployed, to the general Damage of the Community, as well as of the Proprietors; in order, therefore, to remedy such Inconveniencies, and to remove as much as may be, all Bars to the Improvement of the landed Interest of the Country, We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the General Assembly of these your Majesty's Bermuda or Somers' Islands, in America, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your Majesty's Governor,

Covernor, Council and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Authority of the same, that it shall and may be lawful for any Person seizel of an Estate in Fee Tail, in any Parcel of Land within these Islands, not exceeding Five Acres, to alter such Estate from Fee Tail to Fee Simple, by executing a Deed of Bargain and Sale, Feofment or Lease and Release, and recording the same in the Secretary's Office, and that immediately thereupon the Grantee in fuch Deed named shall stand and be seized of an Estate in Fee Simple in such Parcel of Land in such Deed described .- Always provided, that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to confirm or better an original Title, but simply to establish the Mode of altering an Estate from Fee Tail to Fee Simple. Also always provided, that any Conveyance to be executed in consequence of this Act, by any Feme Covert, be accompanied with the Requisites mentioned in the Act, entitled "An " Act directing what Conveyances shall be sufficient to pass the Real Estates of Women under Coverture."-And also always provided, that this Act shall not be in force until his Majesty's Pleasure shall be had thereon and made known in these Islands.

UNANIMOUSLY passed by the Assembly this 8th Day of May 1789, and Ordered to be laid before the Council for Concurrence.

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